

HEATH'S TRAP TOOK TINKERS

Heath's trap took 5000 pounds of fresh tinker mackerel last night which were brought down here this morning and sold to Lufkin & Tarr, the bustling fresh fish buyers at the port.

Portland Fishing Notes.

The schooner Maud F. Silva, which took out 25,000 pounds of halibut here Wednesday, sold her salt fish yesterday to Lord Bros., and her fresh to F. Willard.

The schooner Angie B. Watson, which came in from her last sword-fishing trip Monday, will go on the way at the first opportunity for a general overhauling, after which she will fit out for trawling.

Fish receipts Wednesday were very light, the steamers Pet and Elthier bringing in about 90 barrels of herring in all, while some 75 barrels of small herring were brought up from the lower bay. A few of the netters were in with small catches of mackerel, among them being the sloop Sarah with about 200 fish, her trip not having been a very profitable one, as her nets had been badly damaged by a tug and four master schooner passing over them.

A Giant Lobster.

A fisherman at North Rustico, P. E. last week made a great find—a monster lobster, which had evidently been washed ashore by the gale which had blown off that portion of the coast. It was alive when he found it—in fact it was still alive when he brought it to the wharf at the town on Saturday. It weighed between 14 and 15 pounds, and from the tip of its tail to the end of its stretched claw it measured 31 inches. Evidently it was of considerable age; sea moss was thick upon it and there was a barnacle of considerable growth on one claw.

Lost Her Topmast.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, here this morning, is minus her main topmast, which was snapped off close to the mainmast head last Thursday, while the craft was fishing on Grand Bank.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Jennie B. Hodgdon was at Halifax, N. S., Tuesday with 150,000 lbs.

PORT OF GLOUCESTER.

Arrivals.

S. buoy tender, Mayflower.
J. P. Foster, Jr., Provincetown, from wrecked sch. Lucania
E. L. Rowe & Son.

Halibut Sale.

The halibut fares of schs. Waldo L. Hammond and Catherine Burke were announced by the American Halibut Company yesterday, the former selling at 12 cents a pound for white and 11 cents for gray, while the trip of the latter sold at 12 cents a pound for white and 10 cents for gray.

The fresh halibut fare of sch. Harlow sold to the New England Halibut Company at 12 1-2 cents a pound for white and 10 1-2 cents a pound for

LOOKS BETTER AT LABRADOR

Conveying the news that the Canadian Labrador fall cod-fishery has opened with great promise and that prospects of a disastrous year are rapidly waning, the Shelburne schooner J. J. Cox has just returned from the barren northland. The Cox shows signs of a hard encounter with the elements on the homeward run; her main-boom and the jaws of the fore-gaff are broken, injuries inflicted by a hurricane encountered near the Magdalen Islands.

Since leaving port last mid-June the J. J. Cox has sailed along a stretch of the Labrador of Quebec measuring about 250 miles and has traded with the inhabitants of ten intermediate ports, exchanging various merchandise for native products.

"When September opened," said Capt. McCarthy, "over half the four months when fishing can be carried on up there had past, and the net result was an absolute failure; if one expects the salmon catch, which is secured by only a small percentage of the population. Practically nothing had been taken in traps, but during the ten days of this month we remained at Labrador the handlers were hauling for fine fares. If this run keeps up it is quite likely the people will secure enough fish to provide the necessary provisions to tide them over the long eight month winter."

Captain McCarthy further stated that the herring were found plentiful this summer, but the Labrador fishermen were unable to take full advantage of the opportunity. The fish were there to catch but the fishermen were not supplied with sufficient barrels to salt them down in. Considerable quantities were netted, however, but their main use was for the store of dog-feed for the winter. Every family has a team of seven to twelve dogs to haul the wood and other teams and herring forms a good fodder.

Some unlearned disease afflicted some of the herring schools which came this season in greater quantity than for five years. All along the shore thousands of dead fish were cast up by the waves, while at sea they were floating either dead or inert upon the surface. The unknown plague did not seriously affect the existence of the fishery, tho.

Returning to the subject of the cod catch, Captain McCarthy declared one reason why much was expected of the recently begun hand-lining was the appearance, close in-shore of plentiful shoals of caplin and another small fish used as bait and known in Labrador as "lant," but called "sand-ells" in Nova Scotia from their long attenuated bodies and also because when alarmed they burrow deep in the sandy bottom of the ocean to avoid a foe. These small species of sea life prove excellent bait for cod-fishing and the fishermen secured a good supply while they lasted.

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"The codfish," continued the captain, "have now come within reach of the hook and line fishermen and are being caught extensively during July and August they remained in deeper water, in fair abundance, but glutted from the caplin. Some contend that the cod did not come closer to coast—to the loss of the trappers—was that nowadays there are not the number of whales about to chase the codfish into the shallower water; the whales are being quickly killed off in the north.

"The Newfoundland trawling fleet did not do well either and blame the dogfish," went on the master of the J. J. Cox. "Why, when we were on the ground we threw over some trawls but were unable to reach the codfish. The bait would be grabbed by the 'dogs' before the lines had time to sink down to where the cod were swimming.

"These pests," he concluded, "have only been known about Labrador in recent years and when they first arrived in chase of herring they were called young sharks by the inhabitants, who had never before heard of the voracious marauders."

On the departure of the J. J. Cox from Bluff Harbor, the nights were quite frosty and the air carried no uncertain tinge of winter. This is her seventh year in Labrador trading. Each time she has been commanded by Captain Robert Cox, of Shelburne, while his brother Edgar is the mate. They own and operate the vessel themselves—that is they own the greatest portion, the other shares belonging to their father, William T. Cox. After discharging her cargo at Halifax, the craft proceeds to Shelburne. Her load consists of 176 cases of lobsters, 50 barrels of salmon and 300 quintals of codfish.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.50; snappers, \$3.
Salt trawl bank cod, large, \$4.50, medium, \$4; snappers, \$3.
Drift codfish, large \$4.75 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.75; medium, \$4.25.
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.75; medium, \$4.25.
Flitch halibut, 10c per lb.
Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.
Hake, \$1.75.
Pollock, \$1.50.
Haddock, \$1.50.
Salt mackerel, \$27.50 for medium rimmed; \$21 for medium plain; \$10 or tinkers.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:
Haddock, \$1 per cwt.
Eastern cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$2; snappers, 75c.
Western cod, large, \$2.35; medium, \$2.10; snappers, 75c.
All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
Hake, \$1.15.
Cusk, large, \$1.70; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50c.
Dressed pollock, 80c; round, 70c.

Fresh shad, \$4 per bbl.
Fresh herring, \$3 per bbl. for bait; \$1.50 to salt; \$1.60 to freezer.
Fresh bluebacks, \$3 per bbl., for bait; \$2 to freezer.
Bank halibut, 12c per lb. for white and 10c for gray.

SMALL BOATS GET TINKERS

The "smoke boats" made some small hauls of mackerel yesterday to the southward, mostly tinkers, which sold at Boston this morning at top-notch prices.

The fares in are steamers Reliance, Whileaway, Bethulia and the sch. Little Fannie. Most of the fish are small, with a few large and mediums mixed.

Wholesalers paid 39 cents each for large ones and six and seven cents a pound for mediums and tinkers.

Schooling off Halfway Rock.

According to reports of the incoming shore market fleet, mackerel have been schooling the past few days off Halfway Rock, but on account of the heavy sea and wind, it has been almost impossible to do anything.

Heath's Trap Made Good Haul.

That fish are around the shores is evidenced from the fact that 5000 pounds were taken in Heath's trap yesterday. The fish were of the thinnest variety, much the same size as those taken down off Chatham and off Nantucket recently.

Fares at Newport.

At Newport yesterday, these fares were reported:

Alice, seven barrels; Wood and Mack 17 barrels; N. A. Rowe, 10 barrels; Clara T., 14 barrels.

Information to the Times states that prospects there are good.

GILL NETTERS GET TOGETHER

A meeting of the gill netters was held at the rooms of the Master Mariners' Association last evening to talk over matters pertaining to the coming season's fishery, the regulation of price, etc.

There was a general discussion of the subject at which a large number of the principal boat owners were present. A committee was appointed to take up the matter of local market regulation.

On the Railways.

Sloop yacht Kulinda is on the Rocky Neck railways.

Sch. Thomas S. Gorton is on Burnham Brothers railways.

Schs. Massasoit, John Hays Hammond and J. P. Foster, Jr., are on Parkhurst's railways.

Halibut Sales.

The halibut fare of sch. John Hays Hammond sold to the New England Fish Company and that of sch. Kineo to the American Halibut Company for 10 cents per pound for white and 8 cents for gray. Both trips will take out today.

Herring at North Truro.

A wire from Atkins & Huges, North Truro states that plenty of herring are in the weirs there today.

QUIET CLOSING HERE TODAY

Arrivals here since yesterday have been few it being generally quiet along the water front.

Sch. Cavalier arrived here yesterday afternoon from Portland after disposing of her halibut fare there, bringing 7000 pounds salt cod.

Sch. Clintonia also arrived from sailing yesterday with a few barrels of salt mackerel while several of the market boats are down from Boston to fit.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Cavalier, via Portland, 7000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Clintonia, seining.
Sch. Edith Silveria, via Boston.
Sch. Leonora Silveria, via Boston.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Mary Edith, haddock.
Sch. Russell, haddock.
Sch. Edith Silveria, haddock.
Sch. Etta Mildred, drifting.
Sch. Georgia, halibut.
Sch. Titania, Georges handlining.
Sch. Pauline, Georges handlining.
Sch. Emily Sears, shore.
Sch. Rose Standish, shore.

Sailed Yesterday.

Sch. Gov. Foss, haddock.
Sch. Leonora Silveria, haddock.
Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell halibut.
Sch. Mettacommet, shore.
Sch. Squanto, Boston, in town of tug Nellie.

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Portland Fish Notes.

Another good sized fare was received Thursday at Portland from the schooner Manomet, a trawler, which has been fishing off Monhegan for the past week under all kinds of bad weather. She brought in 20,000 pounds of ground fish. Capt. Price reported the fishing poor and the weather extremely bad during the week.

FINE PRICES AT WEEK-END

Only Three Trips at T Wharf
This Morning—None
Very Large.

Three small fares of groundfish were landed at Boston this morning outside of the four mackerel trips, trade being generally quiet as it always is on the closing day of the week. Schs. Virginia had 51,000 pounds mixed fish, Philip P. Manter, 34,000 pounds; Buema, 29,000 pounds.

Wholesalers paid \$3 a hundred for haddock, \$4 to \$4.75 for large cod, \$2.25 for market cod, \$1.75 to \$3 for hake and 11 cents a pound for fresh halibut.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:
Sch. Virginia, 40,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Philip P. Manter, 21,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 300 halibut.

Sch. Buema, 18,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.

Str. Bethulia, 5000 small fresh mackerel.

Str. Reliance, 1500 medium fresh mackerel.

Str. Whileaway, 2000 small fresh mackerel.

Sch. Little Fannie, 5000 small fresh mackerel.

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PORT OF GLOUCESTER.

Arrivals.

Sch. Fannie Hodgkins, Calais for New York.

Steamer yacht Alceda, Philadelphia, cruising.

SOME FARES OF SALT MACKEREL

Are Here Today and Eager
Buyers Will Have Chance
to Buy.

Sch. Rhodora, Capt. Gustaf Peterson, from Western Bank, is the only halibut arrival here this morning, the skipper disposing of his 16,000 pound fare at 10 1-4 cents a pound for white and eight and one-fourth cents a pound for grey to the American Halibut Company.

Two salt fishermen, Patriot and Helen G. Wells, arrived with fares yesterday, while several of the seiners are also in.

Sch. Cynthia has 76 barrels of salt mackerel; Rob Roy, 91 barrels, Lillian, 40 barrels.

Three cured fish cargoes from Maine ports are here, consigned to Fred Bradley.

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The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Rhodora, Western Bank, 16,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 16,000 lbs. fresh fish, 5000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Patriot, salt drifting, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Helen G. Wells, Georges handlining, 25,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Theodore Roosevelt, seining.

Sch. Corona, seining.

Sch. Lillian, seining, 40 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Roy Roy, seining, 91 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Cynthia, seining, 76 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. R. J. Kellick, seining.

Str. Ethel, seining.

Str. Bethulia, seining.

Sch. Annie F. Kimball, Maine ports, cured fish.

Sch. E. T. Hamor, Maine ports, cured fish.

Sch. Nelson Y. McFarland, Maine ports, cured fish.

Str. Orion, seining.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Arethusa, haddock.

Sch. Mary P. Goulart, haddock.

Sch. Adeline, haddock.

Sch. Flora L. Oliver, haddock.

Sch. Laverna, haddock.

Sch. Valerie, haddock.

Steamer Thelma, seining.

Steamer Ethel, seining.

Sch. Little Fannie, seining.

Sch. Mystery, halibut.

Sch. Harmony, halibut.

Sch. Preceptor, halibut.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

Sch. Actor, Boston.

Sch. Massasoit, Boston.

Halibut Union Growing.

The Halibut Fishermen's Union of the Pacific in the past four months has increased in membership to 1275 according to P. B. Gill, secretary-treasurer of the organization. This is an increase of 525 since the beginning of April. Mr. Gill states that the union will establish a local at Prince Rupert, B. C., when the Grand Trunk Pacific is completed, as at that time an increased number of fishermen will make that port their headquarters.

TAKES AFTER HIS BROTHER

Capt. August Dunskey
Peter's Craft Out and
Made Fine Trip.

With this morning's fleet of at T wharf, Boston is sch. T. Capt. August Dunskey, with a pound fare of fresh halibut and salt and fresh fish besides, as the result of a three weeks' trip on La.

Capt. Dunskey, who is a brother Capt. Peter Dunskey, took the craft this time while the latter remained ashore. Although his first trip skipper, he showed that he knew game as his dandy fare will to the vessel will stock about \$2500 figured, giving each of the crew clear.

Other fares include a number of off shore haddockers with average trips, and several of the shore polling fleet. One small fare of swordfish is also included in the morning's rivals, the fish selling at 11 cents nine cents a pound.

Wholesale dealers paid \$3 a hundred for haddock, \$5 for large cod, \$2.50 for market cod, \$1.50 for hake and \$1.50 for pollock.

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Sch. Ignatius Enos, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 10,000 pollock.

Sch. Actor, 20,000 pollock.

Sch. Good Luck, 33,000 cod.

Sch. William A. Morse, 15,000 lock.

Sch. Hortense, 25,000 cod.

Sch. Massasoit, 38 swordfish.

Sch. Arthur James, 7000 tinker for mackerel.

Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, 80,000.

Str. Breaker, 43,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 lemon sole.

Str. Wave, 65,000 haddock, 1600 cod, 4000 lemon sole.

Sch. Teazer, 8000 salt cod, 30 cusk, 20,000 halibut.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 15,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Josie and Phoebe, 30,000 haddock, 17,000 cod, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Ellen and Mary, 17,000 haddock, 18,000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Robert and Arthur, 16,000 haddock, 14,000 cod.

Sch. Genesta, 6000 haddock, 7000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 25,000 haddock, 1600 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, 21,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 2500 hake.

Sch. Stranger, 6000 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Flavia, 20,000 haddock, 2700 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Quannapowitt, 10,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Anne Perry, 13,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 2500 hake.

Sch. Rose Cabral, 5000 haddock, 8000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Rose Iorotha, 14,000 haddock, 26,000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Mary C Santos, 38,000 haddock, 24,000 cod, 12,000 hake.

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